

What is claimed is:

1. A method of supplying an image forming device to a user, the method comprising the steps of:

5 shipping the image forming device to the user with a first cartridge having a first maximum toner capacity and a first housing having a first external shape; forming images with the image forming device and using the toner from the first cartridge;

supplying the user with a second cartridge having a second maximum toner capacity and a second housing having a second external shape; and

10 replacing the first cartridge with the second cartridge;

the first maximum toner capacity being less than the second maximum toner capacity;

the first external housing shape being substantially the same as the second external housing shape.

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2. The method of claim 1, further comprising constructing the first housing and the second housing using a common manufacturing process.

3. The method of claim 2, further comprising using a common mold and

20 producing the first housing and the second housing.

4. The method of claim 1, further comprising filling the second cartridge with at least twice a toner amount as the first cartridge.

25 5. The method of claim 1, further comprising constructing the second cartridge to have a greater weight than the first cartridge.

6. A method of manufacturing a plurality of toner cartridges comprising the steps of:

forming a plurality of identical toner cartridge housings;

forming a first toner cartridge using one of the plurality of the housings, the

5 first toner cartridge having a first maximum toner capacity;

forming a second toner cartridge using at least another one of the housings having a second maximum toner capacity;

the first maximum toner capacity being less than the second maximum toner capacity.

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7. The method of claim 6, further comprising forming the plurality of identical toner cartridge housings using a common mold.

8. The method of claim 6, further comprising shipping an image forming device
15 with the first toner cartridge to a user.

9. The method of claim 8, further comprising using the image forming device and replacing the first toner cartridge with the second toner cartridge.

20 10. The method of claim 6, further comprising forming the second toner cartridge with at least 50% greater toner capacity than the first toner cartridge.

11. The method of claim 6, further comprising attaching a greater number of agitating members to the second toner cartridge than to the first toner cartridge.

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12. The method of claim 11, further comprising attaching a greater number of gears to the second toner cartridge than to the first toner cartridge.

13. The method of claim 6, wherein the step of forming the first toner cartridge
30 comprises positioning a rigid divider wall across the one of the plurality of said housings.

14. A method of utilizing an image forming device, comprising:
prior to first using an image forming device, shipping the image forming
device with a first toner cartridge having toner therein, the first toner
5 cartridge having a housing defining a chamber able to hold a first
maximum amount of toner,
the shipping comprising shipping the first toner cartridge with an amount of
the toner substantially less than the first maximum amount of toner.

10 15. The method of claim 14, wherein the shipping comprising shipping the first
toner cartridge with an amount of toner that is not more than 50% of the first
maximum amount of toner.

16. The method of claim 14, further comprising forming the first toner cartridge
prior to the shipping, wherein the forming comprises dividing the chamber into at
15 least first and second sections, and wherein the first section contains toner and
the second section is free of toner during the shipping.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein the dividing comprises inserting a rigid
divider.

18. The method of claim 14, further comprising
20 thereafter using the first toner cartridge to form images with the image
forming device;
thereafter replacing the first toner cartridge with a second toner cartridge
having an amount of toner greater than the first toner cartridge was
shipped with;
25 and using the second toner cartridge to form images with the image
forming device.

19. The method of claim 14, further comprising shipping the image forming
apparatus with more than one of the first toner cartridges.

20. The method of claim 14, wherein the image forming device is a laser printer.

21. A toner cartridge for an image forming device comprising:

a toner housing;

5 a rigid divider within the toner housing forming a toner section and a non-toner section, the divider segregating the toner section from the non-toner section;

a first agitating mount positioned within the toner section;

an agitating member attached to the first agitating mount; and

10 an open agitating mount positioned within the non-toner section.

22. The toner cartridge of claim 21, further comprising a developer roller positioned within the toner section.

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